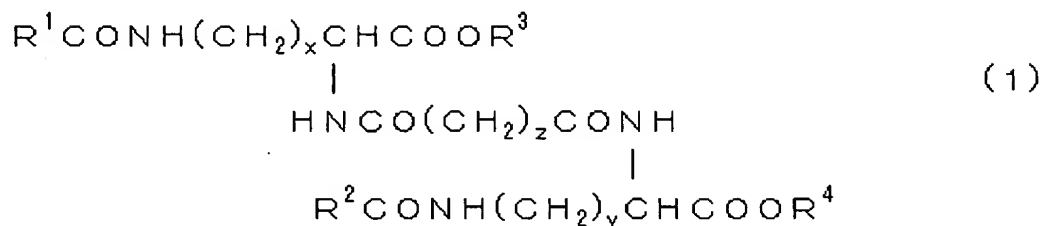


Claims

1. A basic amino acid derivative represented by the following formula (1).



(In the formula,

R^1 and R^2 each independently is a straight-chain or branched-chain alkyl or alkenyl group having 5 to 21 carbon atoms,

R^3 and R^4 each independently is an alkyl or alkenyl group having 1 to 22 carbon atom(s), hydrogen atom, alkaline metal or alkaline earth metal in which the alkyl or alkenyl group may be either in straight-chain or branched-chain or may have a cyclic structure,

z is an integer of 0 or more and

x and y each is an integer of 2 to 4.)

2. The basic amino acid derivative according to claim 1, wherein z in the above formula (1) is 0 to 10.

3. The basic amino acid according to claim 1, wherein z in the above formula (1) is 0.

4. The basic amino acid derivative according to claim 1, wherein R^1 and R^2 each in the above formula (1) is a

straight-chain alkyl group having 11 carbon atoms.

5. The basic amino acid derivative according to claim 1, wherein R^3 and R^4 each in the above formula (1) is an alkaline metal or an alkaline earth metal.

6. A gelling agent or a solidifying agent which is characterized in containing at least one member of the basic amino acid derivative mentioned in claim 1.

7. Gel which is characterized in containing at least one member of the basic amino acid derivative mentioned in claim 1.

8. A perfumery/cosmetic which is characterized in containing at least one member of the basic amino acid derivative mentioned in claim 1.